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Tourist trade programme to go ahead despite government cuts

A MULTI-MILLION pound spending programme promises to boost Southend's tourist

Despite a big funding shortfall from central government this year, the council has told the YA it is crucial that it ploughs on with projects designed to increase visitors.

The first ambitious project on the cards will see the creation of a lagoon meaning that swimmers can use the water all day.

Council chiefs have earmarked £600,000 for the lagoon at Three Shells Beach which will retain sea water even when the tide goes out.

Determined leisure bosses want work to start on the lagoon next month so it is ready in time for the summer.

Other seafront projects will include a £2m makeover for the famous pier.

Money will be for non-structural pier work and improvements to its decking, lamp columns, electrics, shelters and toilets.

Around £1.5m has been set aside to progress the new museum project to move it to the technical

design phase.
A total of £1.5m will be spent on stabilising the picturesque Belton Hills steps, which lead down to old Leigh, following ground movement.

A further £380,000 has been allocated for vital equipment to monitor Cliffs Parade and the cliff slip area to prevent against any further movement

Almost £300,000 will be spent on new play equipment for various parks around the town to keep children happy.

Theatres, museums, shelters and

ENDING **By Suzi Muston** southend@vellowad.co.uk

ment. Council chiefs said they would like to meet the public to get their comments on the seafront and town centre spending plans at two workshops, both at the seafront

hotel, The Park In Palace.
Councillor Mary Betson said:
"Hopefully we can encourage the further development of the Sealife Centre and more car parking for

the seafront from the museum site.
"Funds have been set aside in the budget for our world-renowned pier. This will be a priority.

"The Estuary Festival encourage visitors too."

Cllr David Norman, executive councillor for housing, planning and regulatory control, said the authority had ambitious visions for Southend to be a prosperous and



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pair jailed

TWO unemployed men who invented fake charities and donations so they could fraudulently reclaim over £500,000 in Gift Aid repayments, have both been jailed for 30 months.

Abdulshakour Juma, 43, of Rayleigh Drive, Leigh-on-Sea and

Ashraf Salim Ali, 42, of Seabrooke Rise, Grays, claimed they were trustees of the East Coast of African Community and the Bongo Community Association charities. They told HM Revenue and

Customs (HMRC) and the Charity Commission they were supporting the East African community in Southend.

The pair submitted claims for Gift Aid repayments based on donations

and tepayments based on donations made to their charities.

However, an HMRC investigation revealed they had lied, making up the donations so they could falsely claim repayments that weren't due.

Juma was sentenced to 30 months in prison on December 21, 2015. Ali failed to appear at the hearing.

He was jailed for 30 months on Monday January 11, 2016.

Working with the Charity Commission and Essex Police, HMRC officers arrested Juma and Ali

at their home addresses in June 2013. Sentencing Juma, His Honour Judge Graham, said: "You submitted totally fictitious claims and the repayments were syphoned off by you and your co-accused. If all claims had been paid, more than £500,000 would have been the benefit of this fraud.

"This is a fraud on the public purse and it makes life much more difficult

on a makes me much more difficult for people making genuine claims."

On sentencing Ali, His Honour Judge Graham, said: "Using a charity as a means to commit fraud is particularly repellent."

Mike O'Grady, assistant director at the Fraud Investigation Service, HMRC, said: "The fact that this pair would stoop so low as to use a charity as a front to extort money from the taxpayer is shameful."

Charity fraud Doctors defend strike

Southend Hospital staff claim cost of training would be 'unaffordable'

By Suzi Muston

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SOUTHEND'S junior doctors say changes in their contracts would make learning impossible.

Junior doctors voted for strike action two weeks ago in response to new contracts for doctors-in-training

Junior doctor Sheneen Meghi, 31, told the YA she was extremely concerned.

She said: "The government want to amend our contracts to include working on a Saturday, meaning we would get one day off in the week.

"However, we get crucial training one day a week from a highly qualified surgeon who has very little time and can only teach us through the

"The surgeons would not like to be in a situation where they wouldn't know one week to the next whether a student will be able to attend class or

Sheneen said training was expensive too. She said: "With the new contract it would mean I am £6,000 down each

"We have to fund our own examinations and in 2015, I paid three lots of £800 for exam fees.

"I would not be able to afford to do this with the proposed pay cut in the new contract.

Junior doctors will take strike action again for 48 hours from 8am on Tuesday January 26, until 8am Thursday January 28, during which only emergency care will be available.

A full walk-out is planned for

Wednesday February 10, from 8am until 5pm.

The trust said is has detailed plans plans in place in a bid to minimise disruption to the hospital's services.

Medical director at Southend Hospital, Neil Rothnie, said patients would be contacted by the hospital if



UNHAPPY: Junior doctors outside Southend Hospital say their training will be affected

there were any changes to their appointments.

He added: "We are currently reviewing our outpatient services and hope to run as many as possible.

"However, there is likely to be some

impact to routine inpatient elective procedures, such as planned operations and some outpatient clinics

Dr Mark Porter, the British Medical Association's council chairman, said he deeply regretted the disruption industrial action may cause but felt junior doctors were left with no

He said: "The Government has repeatedly dragged its feet throughout this process, initially rejecting our offer of talks and failing to make significant movement in negotiations." All emergency services for patients

along with other urgent care such as cancer, maternity services and dialysis will continue. Junior doctor Tom Livingstone from

London finished a 100-hour week on Friday, working eight hours unpaid. He said: "I am emotionally and

physically exhausted and was dangerously tired on my 45-minute drive home from work, and haven't seen my children for three days.

"Politicians and quangos fail to understand what the NHS is about, I work with people who do not care about profits, or money, or the bettering of ones career to obtain irrelevant

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RESIDENTS in south Essex including those in Southend and Basildon – are being urged to attend crucial talks on the likelihood of a new lower Thames crossing. Experts fear toxic exhaust fumes

generated by vehicles using a new crossing will affect residents health in Southend and Basildon.

Council leaders are calling residents to arms and are desperate to see them at a consultation outlining the proposals on Monday, January

Simon Birkett, founder and director of Clean Air London, said any new river crossing will "increase volume of traffic and carcinogenic

air pollution."

The crossing is likely to be built in Thurrock and council leader Cllr John Kent said it was crucial as many people as possible turned up to the meeting which will be chaired by BBC radio presenter

James Whale.

He added: "We are expecting the government, in the form of Highways England, to announce their latest proposals in the next few

days.
"We anticipate they'll be talking of one option close to the current crossing and three further to the east.

"Although details about the proposal are still sparse, it's crucial the

authority does not buckle under pressure.

He believes that the most popular option of the three will be from

Tilbury to Gravesend.

He added: "There are also options to link with the Dock Approach Road or A13, to join the M25 between Junctions 30 and 29, or to parallel the A128 to the A127 and join the motorway at junction

"For those of us living and working here, all three easterly options will be a recipe for chaos and the one between Dartford and West Thurrock would be no better."

Cllr Kent said Thurrock has

unanimously voted for no new crossings in the borough, but needed local people to show they support this stand.

Cllr Ron Woodley, leader of Southend council, said he wants to see data about the environmental impact and air quality a crossing

may bring.

He said: "It is too early to say what the implications of the crossing might be and we will need time to carefully consider our position and look at the evidence, and so we await the consultation with interest."

The meeting on Monday starts at 7pm at Orsett Hall, Prince Charles Avenue, Orsett.



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The art of Essex on display





A COLLECTION of valuable artworks has gone on display in Southend.

The Foundation for Essex Arts is displaying the Basildon Arts Trust Collection at the Beecroft Art Gallery, Victoria Avenue.

The collection has an estimated value of between £70,000 and £100,000.

The paintings, dating from the 1950s onwards, are maintained by the charity "on behalf of the people of Basildon".

A launch event last Friday was attended by artists and patrons.

The event also marked the launch of a new bursary scheme, which will allow Basildon art students to attend the University of the Arts London (UAL).

The night featured live performances by jazz musician John Seeley and Basildon poet Olmo Lazarus, of the Tory Town Poets.

The poem, titled Onwards Art, was

specially commissioned and turned into an artwork by Rayleigh artist Jonathan Oliff, also known as Jonny Doodles.

Liz Grant, trustee director for the foundation, said: "The poem is a bit edgy. It's a bit political.

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"It's about the power of art to change the world. After Olmo performed it there was enormous clapping and cheering."

Former Basildon mayor Mo Larkin,

attended with her partner John Handley. One of the paintings – Farm House Corner by Dylan Thomas Waldren – used to hang in her mayoral office.

She said: "We all had a great evening. It was a lovely event. It was just nice people enjoying the arts of Basildon."

Liz Grant added: "The night went really well and was very well-attended "Everyone complimented the artworks and the great space the Beecroft Gallery offers"

Gallery offers. A batch of 25 limited edition, handprinted copies of Olmo and Jonathan's artwork will be sold for £15 each, to raise money for the foundation.

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DELIGHTED: Right, exhibition organiser Liz Grant and Mark Crawley, from University of the Arts London



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LOVELY EVENING: Left, former Basildon mayor Mo Larkin, whose office at Basildon Council used to house one of the artworks attended with her partner John Handley





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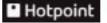
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A force spokesman said: "The panel heard that between September 2014 and January of absences from work and lied about the reasons why. She was dismissed without notice."

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Council tax rise forced on us by the government

Shortfall of £10m leaves councillors 'no choice'

SOUTHEND Council has had little choice but to increase council tax, say senior council-

The authority met on Monday to discuss proposals on how to cope with funding cuts from

central government.

Council chiefs said they have to try and plug the gap left by a £10million shortfall from Government this year.

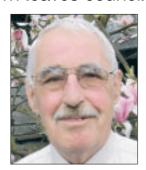
Independent Councillor Brian Ayling said Southend Council was also short of £10m last year.

He said the government had made it impossible to protect frontline services and all the other council activities people expect

He said: "It seems strange to me that our government increases overseas aid yet cuts back on UK funding. "We are seeing local govern-

ment, police, essential services

and all other services cut.
"However, the quangos continue with their highly paid staff who, it seems, do very little to protect the people who



CONCERN: Cllr Brian Ayling

suffer from inefficient gas, water, power and telecom providers. We are certainly not all in it together."

Cllr Martin Terry, portfolio holder for public protection, said he was unhappy the authority had been forced into increasing council tax because

of government funding cuts. He said: "This has had to be done while ensuring we invest in the Southend's economy and infrastructure with significant investments to help the tourist

economy, highways and parking. The Government has virtually obligated all local authorities to raise a special two per cent social care precept raising £1.3m and then with the other hand took £1.1m away from the same budget.

"Therefore, the Government is simply transferring the cost

to Southend council taxpayers.
"The majority of the increase in council tax this year is due entirely to the government and our need to retain the basic ser-

vices which people need.
"Although challenging times are with us, we remain focused on the future and investments that will bring a return and cre-ate jobs in the local economy."

Southend Council leader Cllr Ron Woodley said there was no alternative but to increase council tax.

He added: "We don't want to do this but have been forced into a situation where we have no choice.

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Of course, the natural topography of Essex was

also used to our advantage during the First World War. Osea Island, sitting in the Blackwater Estuary, was used as a secret base by the Royal Navy for a squadron of Motor Torpedo Boats.

Navy for a squadron of Motor Torpedo Boats.

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As the home county of radio in the UK, Essex was also at the forefront of developing radar technology during the Second World War.

Beacon Hill Fort, Harwich, is a fine example of how ancient buildings were called into service in the 20th century, hundreds of years after they were first constructed. Dating back to 1534, Beacon Hill became home to the country's first radar tower during the early 1940s.

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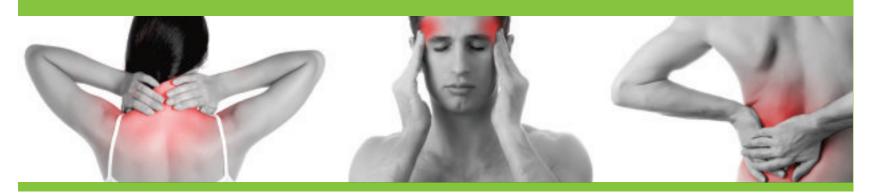
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The former library car park in Victoria Avenue could be redeveloped and expanded to replace spaces lost from the closure of the

east car park.
And another £8m has been allocated to continue the completion of the decent homes pro-

and carry out energy efficiency and health and safety works. Cllr Ron Woodley,

leader of the council, said: "In such tough economic times, we must be careful what we decide to invest in. We cannot and will not waste time and resources on 'vanity

projects'.
"However we must also remain ambitious, move with the times, innovate, investment and look to the future?

Seafront spending

From front page

Cllr Norman said: "We need the views and local knowledge of the public to shape our longterm plans for the town's development.
"The action plan is a highly detailed docu-

ment, so I would urge as many residents as possible to attend one of our public workshops, where they can speak to members of the planning team and help inform our proposals."

Southend mayor, Cllr Andrew Moring told the

YA: "We are creating something for everyone and we have achieved it with the thrilling adventure parks, the sealife centre and the waterpark for the younger generations and the former monastery Prittlewell Priory, seafront casino, museums and galleries for the older generation."

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READERS' LETTERS



Bowie's fiery Basildon baptism

THE night was February 28, 1971. It had been snowing all day and some of the musicians had travelled far and wide to reach Basildon, and when the interval came they naturally wanted a drink in the Arts Centre bar.

But this was a members only bar at the time and instead of signing them in two Tory councillors called the police and had them thrown out. Such was David Bowie's

introduction to this new town in south Essex.

I was director of the arts centre at time and we were so lucky to get this up-and-coming pop sensation to appear in theatre, even as part of an Arts Lab performance, brought to us by East Anglian Arts Cooperative from Cambridge, supported by the Arts Council of Great Britain.

My friend at the Arts Council, Nigel Abercrombie, was appalled to find that the police had been called, even though the musicians, singers, poets and film-makers had been running amok at the cen-



tre, which we, the staff, were in full control of.

The snowy weather hadn't helped to provide a full audience, even though it was late in the day before the concert was properly advertised. But the attitude of some local people was so against these arts lab types, whom one councillor's wife referred to as, "Who wants to listen to long-haired, baggy-eyed twits rabbiting on, anyway?"

Who would have thought this lone singer with his band would produce such love and affection, together with all the other outpourings on his death announced last week?

Perhaps he's even the greatest singer of popular music of his time. And this was the

same man we chose to eject from our centre for the arts almost 45 years earlier.

No wonder I left in disgust a few months later. Vin Harrop

Billericay

Council tries to soften the blow

AS the Conservative government's austerity agenda contin-ues to bite, we, in local government, are faced we another round of tough decisions.

Another year, another unpleasant budget.

Yet, there are choices, and Southend-on-Sea's joint administration is choosing to preserve what it can of the vital public services it pro-

Prudent management of the borough's finances has enabled us to soften the blow, and the savings from the new waste management contract has seen over £1million in savings.

Local Conservatives have expressed opposition to the new waste management contract - and had they managed to get their way then one can only imagine the consequences for the borough.

We know that their plans threatened our libraries, libraries whose future is more secure now that Labour has significant input into the running of the town. Children's centres are also safer under the ioint administration tenure in

Of course there will be pain; job losses and increased council tax bills are never pleasant.

This is a consequence of Government plans that are seeing austerity continue.

Whatever one thinks of the Government's plans, the attack on local government finances cannot be denied.

As a local councillor I am regularly asked to provide

things that come with a cost.
Of course I, and my colleagues, do what we can, but I cannot magic resources out of nowhere, and with shrinking resources one is faced with the reality of being part of a council that will be forced to raise charges, and to trim wherever possible.

This is true this year, and yet no service is under threat – at the moment. One can only imagine that many more years of this and we will see services cut beyond reasonable usability.

Cllr Julian Ware-Lane
Labour, Milton ward

Accidents waiting to happen

ON behalf of Castle Point

Labour Party, I would like to convey our most sincere condolences to the relatives of the two ladies who recently died

on the borough's highways. Just over 10 years ago Essex County Council took responsibility for the maintenance of the borough's roads from the

borough council.
This responsibility included maintaining the street lighting as well as the illumination of

pedestrian crossings.
Part of that regime included the weekly inspection of all

street lighting and crossings.
Clearly if the lighting was
now inspected and maintained as regularly as used to be the case, then the chances of fatal incidents at crossings happen-ing would be reduced. There are several areas

where street lights are not working throughout the bor-ough and several locations where there are deficiencies in the arrangements of zebra crossings.

With regard to the latter, I

have been waiting for about six weeks for the Belisha beacon on the east side of High Road close to Jotmans Hall

School to be repaired. Clearly there have been no inspections carried out for at

least six weeks. This is an accident waiting

to happen, in my opinion.

These latest fatalities have made it imperative that the appropriate wattage of crossing illuminations should be provided and that the light should be properly directed onto the pedestrian waiting to cross.

Prior to Labour losing control of the borough council in 2003, there were plans in the offing for 20mph speed limits to be introduced in the vicinity of all of the borough's schools.

If this policy had been pursued by the current administration, then maybe at least one recent fatality could possibly have been avoided.

Brian Wilson Benfleet

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Legionnaires Disease came to prominence in 1976 when it got into the air conditioning cooling towers of a hotel in the US and killed half a dozen American Legion army veterans attending a gathering there. But there have been UK outbreaks too including one in Edinburgh in 2012 that killed four people.

The HSE is worried about residential rental properties mainly because from time to time they are empty during void periods and their hot and cold systems are unused. And Legionnaires' Disease bacteria loves standing or stagnant water in pipes and shower heads.

So what do you have to do? Here is a summary of the basics: As a landlord you must:

- Carry out (or pay a specialist to carry out) a full risk assessment on your property But also:
- Flush out a property's hot and cold water systems before tenants move in.
- Avoid debris getting into the system (for example ensure any cold water tanks have a tight-fitting lid).
- If a property has a hot water tank, ensure the hot water within it is heated to at least 60 °C – Legionella bacteria cannot survive at this temperature or above.
- Have old or unused pipes replaced the bacteria like rust and scale.
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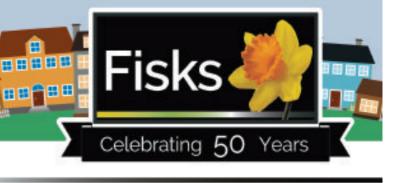
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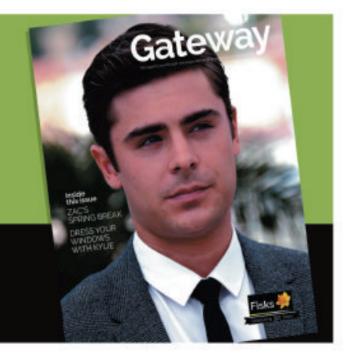


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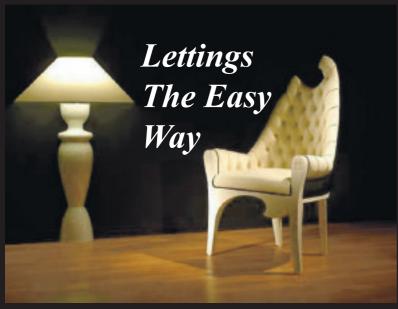




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Welcome to 2016!

There is every indication that the property market is continuing at the same pace as prior to the enforced temporary halt of the Christmas Holiday. Our offices reopened straight after Christmas on the 29th December with the phones ringing and viewing appointments being confirmed. It really is a long time since I can remember December being so busy.

Landlords wishing to expand their portfolio and indeed new Landlords entering the market, will be conscious that the 1st of April 2016 is the day that the Government's proposal to increase Stamp Duty Land Tax by 3% comes into force. With the time it takes to convey property from seller to buyer. January is the ideal time to make these purchasing decisions, to give the solicitors time to complete the purchase before the 1st of April. With Easter falling early this year; another well-known property deadline, solicitors will be under pressure.

This 3% on top of the existing Stamp Duty Land Tax, on a purchase price of £150,000 will rise from £500 to £5,000. At £200,000 this is an extra £6,000. At the top end of the market, the numbers become huge; Stamp Duty Land Tax at £1million, is £43,750 rising to £73,750 for investors and second-property buyers. Remember, this added tax does not just apply to Landlords but any second-property purchase. For instance; buying a property for your children, or a holiday home for yourself. The small print is unlikely to be known until February as the Government is currently consulting on the detail.

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All at Fisks wish you a happy and healthy New Year!

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Benfleet

Brackendale Court, Pitsea £140,000

EPC Rating: E



This warden controlled, one bedroom mid-terrace bungalow in the popular Brackendale Court Development, Pitsea benefits from replacement double-glazing throughout and no onward chain.

Orchard Road, Benfleet £260,000

EPC Rating: D



Guide Price: £260,000 - £265,000. Fisks are delighted to offer for sale this well-presented three bedroom semi-detached property in this popular location close to local schools and amenities.

London Road, Benfleet

£222,995

EPC Rating: E



Situated close to Tarpots Corner is this chain free immaculately presented two bedroom semi-detached chalet-style bungalow, ideal for first time or investment buyers.

Southwold Crescent, Benfleet £265,000

EPC Rating: E



Fisks are delighted to offer for sale this well presented two double bedroom, semi-detached bungalow in the very popular Southwold Crescent. The property is an ideal first time/investment purchase with no onward chain.





Benfleet

Beech Road, Hadleigh £295,995

EPC Rating: D



This well presented, three bedroom semi-detached chalet-style property in Hadleigh is being offered with no onward chain and is ideally located for access to London Road.

Kelly Road, Bowers Gifford £465,000

EPC Rating: D



Fisks are offering for sale this four bedroom detached property which benefits from a spacious lounge, separate dining room, study and kitchen-breakfast room, with a large garden to the rear.

First Avenue, Thundersley £190,000

EPC Rating: TBC



Fisks are delighted to be able to offer this refurbished, two double bedroom park home on the popular Kingsleigh Park in Thundersley.

Oak Walk, Benfleet

£279,995

EPC Rating: C



Situated in a popular, quiet cut-de-sac location is this fantastic three bedroom semi-detached family home with the potential to become a four bedroom property and offered with no onward chain.





Canvey Island



Mornington Road, Canvey £257,500

Offered for sale with no onward chain is this detached cottage style home which has lovely front and rear gardens. Internally the property does require some modernising but includes an open plan lounge/diner, two large double bedrooms and a single third. The property sits on a corner plot and the gardens run around the house.

EPC Rating: D







Long Road, Canvey Island £259,995

Offered with no onward chain is this two bedroom detached bungalow located a short stroll from Jones's corner and internally consists of a rear lounge, fully tiled shower room, one large master bedroom, second bedroom and a modern fitted kitchen. The rear garden is currently low maintenance with garage and front access.

EPC Rating: D











SPRING BREAK

He won over the world as teen heartthrob Troy Bolton and now he's back with a new film that sees him all grown up!

He became a teen idol after starring as Troy Bolton in Disney Channel's High School Musical series and this month, Zac Efron has a new film out and he's looking manlier than ever!

Dirty Grandpa is an American comedy and will be released on 22nd January. Directed by Dan Mazer and written by John Philips, Zac will star alongside Robert De Niro and Zoey Deutch.

The film follows Jason Kelly, who is played by Zac, preparing for his wedding. However plans must be put on hold as Jason's grandfather, who is played by Robert De Niro, orders to be driven to Florida for Spring Break. The pair embark on a hilarious journey and Jason's grandfather becomes more vulgar by the minute.

After his worldwide fame in the early 2000s, Zac went on to perform in the film adaption of the musical Hairspray and has since performed in films such as Charlie St Cloud and 17 again. The 28-year old American actor has even got 2 projects lined up for next year so you'll still be able to swoon over him for a few years.

But Zac doesn't let his fame get to his head.
"In the back of my mind, I can never forget
this could be gone tomorrow. The chances
of succeeding in this business are slim;
there's only a handful of people that have
long careers."

"It's weird, but I don't feel like I deserve any of the attention. There's really nothing but one audition for a Disney Channel movie that separates me from 2,000 other brown-haired, blue-eyed guys in L.A."

Zac's aim for the future is to continue making films and says he doesn't want to settle down just yet. "I'm definitely not getting married. In this business, you're either getting married or they want you to be pregnant. I'm not getting married until I'm forty. If ever." But what does he look for in a woman? "I like my women like I like my peanut butter: chunky."

Dirty Grandpa will be in cinemas on 22nd January and we think it's going to be a laugh a minute.





Canvey Island

Beach Way, Canvey Island £230,000

EPC Rating: E



Located in one of the most desirable roads on Canvey Island is this characterful timber roughcast bungalow offered with no onward chain. It currently accommodates four bedrooms, kitchen/diner with a separate dining room and family lounge. The home requires some refurbishment. and the rear garden is a great size.

St James Court, Canvey Island

£174,995

EPC Rating: TBC



This two bedroom ground floor apartment, situated within a stone's throw from Canvey sea front, is offered with no onward chain. This property has been recently re-furbished to a high standard with a new white gloss kitchen, new bathroom and new carpet throughout. The property also boasts a good size living/dining room, two allocated parking spaces and a long lease.

Hertford Road, Canvey Island £230,000

EPC Rating: TBC



Offered with no onward chain is this detached, two double bedroom bungalow located a stone's throw from Long Road and a short walk from Jones's corner. Internally there is a good size lounge with brick fire place, two double bedrooms (with fitted wardrobes to the master) and a UPVC double glazed conservatory. The rear garden is west facing and fairly low maintenance.

Kings Park, Canvey Island £109,995

EPC Rating: TBC



Positioned on a plot with a view of a magnificent lake is this 32x12 one bedroom park home located on the Kings Park Village for the over 50's. Internally the home offers one double bedroom with fitted wardrobes and units, a white bathroom suite and a through kitchen-diner-lounge with patio doors out to the front aspect.



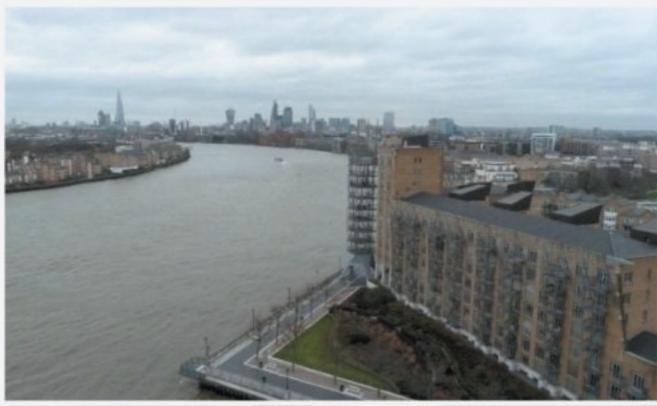
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Docklands

Belgrave Court, Canary Wharf

£2579 pcm









EPC Rating: C

Beautifully presented and furnished two bedroom two bathroom apartment located in the Prestigious Development of Canary Riverside. The only residential development located within the bounds of the Canary Wharf Estate, with Canary Wharf Tube Station and the Thames Clipper mooring just moments away providing excellent access to The City and West End. Occupants will enjoy west facing river views, a separate kitchen and en-suite bathroom. Other benefits include a 24 hour concierge, use of a secure parking bay and permitted free use of an on-site tennis court.





Docklands

Free Trade Wharf, E1W £1734 pcm

EPC Rating: C



Fully furnished and recently refurbished one bedroom apartment with stunning views of the Thames. Internally there is a separate fitted kitchen and spacious living room with access out onto a large (private) river facing terrace with nice outside furniture. Located in Wapping and very close to Limehouse DLR station providing excellent transport links to the City.

Hutchings Wharf, E14 £1994 pcm

EPC Rating: C



Good size two bedroom, two bathroom apartment boasting two double bedrooms, en-suite to master and a luxurious guest bathroom. Occupants will enjoy stunning west facing river views from the living room and balcony. Being located close to South Quay DLR and ten minutes from Canary Wharf Jubilee Line tube means easy access to the City and West End.

Kingfisher Heights, E16 £1950 pcm

EPC Rating: B



Brand new two bedroom, two bathroom apartment situated on the 4th floor of Kingfisher Heights. The apartment will be furnished to a high standard. The balcony is a good size and benefits from a westerly aspect to the river. Conveniently located for Pontoon Dock DLR providing access to Canary Wharf and The City.

Cooke Street, IG11

£1127 pcm

EPC Rating: C



Recently refurbished one bedroom apartment located within walking distance to Barking station. The internal accommodation has been completely re-modernised with new wooden flooring, paintwork, brand new furniture throughout and new appliances. Occupants will also benefit from the use of a private balcony and an allocated parking bay.





Decorate your home to be as glamourous and gorgeous as the lady herself, Kylie Minogue.

With the Kylie Minogue at Home collection, your bedroom and living room can reflect the glamour and sophistication in which the megastar brings to the stage.

Originally dedicating her collection to bed linen and cushions, the Australian singer has now turned her attention to curtains. Similar to her previous collections, the latest designs are just as striking and dazzling as the lady herself. Featuring beautiful fabrics, that are available ready lined and ready to hang, your room can now have Kylie's signature style in an instant.

In a sumptuous velvet quality, these luxurious curtains have a sophisticated and beautifully subtle texture detail. Available in a colour palette of smart truffle, warm caramel and the soft silvery tones of mist, these stunning designs will ensure that you have the bestdressed windows encapsulating all Kylie's style and glamour.

Opulent fabrics of shimmering organza, silky taffeta and iridescent weaves are complemented with exquisite details, creating a collection of truly inspiring designs. Sparkling sequins, diamantes and embroidery lavishly embellish the fabrics — who said curtains had to be plain?

However it's not just your windows that will look great this January as a stunning new range of bed linen has been added to Kylie's 2016 'At Home Collection'. In a range of sizes and with a choice of pillowcases, cushions, throws and runners, the pop princess has the perfect collection for your bedroom.

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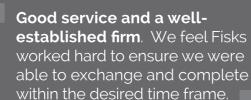






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- Ms J Monk



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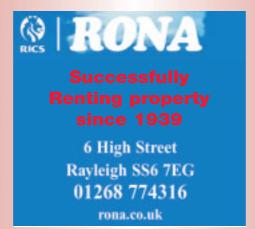
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RAYLEIGH £274,995

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RAYLEIGH £625,000

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LEIGH-ON-SEA OIEO £375,000

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Very large two bedroom flat, Leigh £259,500

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RY a different approach to your new year resolutions and instead of dwelling on your so-called flaws and failures and the punishing regimes and denials you will need to enforce to 'fix' them, opt to reward yourself a little bit more instead.

Here are three negative new year cliches to ditch, and some more uplifting – and, quite possibly, more likely to work – alternatives to switch

DITCH: 'I'm fat - I must lose weight

SWITCH: 'I will cherish my body and treat it with the TLC it deserves'

Here's the thing, wanting to maintain a healthy weight is a good idea, and it is important that you're happy with your body - but that is not the same thing as feeling pressure to be

First, you have to learn to accept yourself, and believe that you deserve to look after and love yourself. No, that doesn't always come

But, stepping away from negative patterns – the self-scrutiny and pun-ishment/the destructive or emotional

eating patterns – will help.

Stop focusing on why you don't think your body is good enough, and instead start treating it well, by eating things that are good for you, cherishing your sleep, indulging in a skincare and pampering regime that



for the simple reason that it's good for you and makes you feel good. You deserve these things.

Over time, confidence will grow. Your body will amaze you in ways you perháps never dréamt possible, you'll realise there is far more to you and to life than the size of your jeans, and your weight will balance out in a healthy, sustainable way.

DITCH: 'I must get a better job/buy a house' SWITCH: 'I will take more moments to feel grateful'

There is nothing wrong with wanting a 'better' job or to get on the property ladder, of course - this isn't

really about that It's about that pesky trap of get-ting hung up on things we think we 'should' be doing or achieving – perhaps because society engineers us to feel that way, or perhaps because it's easier to cling onto a readymade marker of success/happiness, one that's external to us and

instead of taking a step back to think about what we genuinely need and want, and having the courage to pursue that.

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and proud of your successes – if you let yourself, and if you choose to broaden your definition of suc-

It's a choice we can make, and getting into the habit of feeling grateful for the good things in our lives (especially those little everyday things so easily taken for granted) is

a great place to start.
Gratitude teaches us about who we really are and where we get our kicks, helps us to keep a sense of perspective and builds us a 'happiness armoury' that's so much easier to maintain than hanging all of our self-worth on life's biggies, like salaries and mortgages.







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What's on and what's coming



By LIZ WADE

HEN several dead bodies are discovered on the edge of the North Yorkshire moors a web of intrigue follows in a nail-biting thriller that will have mystery fans on the edge of their seats.

Thurrock Courts Players will be taking

Norman Robbin's mystery, Practice to

Deceive, to the stage at Thameside Theatre, Grays, from January 28-30, and it looks set to offer plenty of twists and turns.

After a year performing popular television comedies including The Vicar of Dibley which has been shortlisted for the National Operatic and Dramatic Association (NODA) Best Play award in the South East region – and the smash hit Blackadder, members of Courts are now presenting a year of murder and mystery for 2016.

They start with Practice to Deceive, as they unfold a web of intrigue following the moorland discovery of several mutilated bodies that have been hidden for more than a decade.

At the rain-lashed McBride Farm, the bed and breakfast guests are greeted by a crazy woman with a shotgun and her companions. will there be before the truth is uncovered?

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(4)
3. Tries out wrong-doing first: that's inauspicious (8) 8. Settled help needed by

learner (4)
9. Be reluctant to suspend defender (4,4)
11. Accept what is said by a

prickly person? (4,3,5)

13. Equipment enabling one to leave healthy? (6) 14. A place of artful produc-

tions? (6) 17. Don't shirk making a stand

like a conductor? (4,3,5) 20. Main plank on the shore (8)

21. The boy in the book (4) 22. Scatter spiders out east (8) 23. Press for some candour generally (4)

1. The story of someone close (8)

2. Game insect (7)4. I take a long time to get

idols (6) 5 Enjoying oneself early? (2.4.4)6. Give tuition to retinue (5)

7. Dissolute person in the garden? (4)

10. Be right on target with domestic industrial action? (6,4) 12. 100 Mediterranean

islanders producing building material (8)

15. I spread hopelessness (7) 16. Sportswear for drinkers? (6) 18. Collect a donkey in the

morning (5) 19. Took advantage of dues (4)

QUICK CLUES

ACROSS 1. Snug (4)

Serenity (8) Trim (4)

9. Wrong name (8) 11. Well (2.4.6)

13. Turning (6)

14. Conclusion (6) 17. Abruptly (3,2,1,6) 20. In words (8)

21. Hint (4) 22. Bandage (8)

DOWN

1. Persuade (8)

2. Reel (7)

4. Dismount (6) Untruthful (10)

6. Ant (5)

Tender (4) 10. Happen (4,2,4)

12. Attenuation (8)

15. Gratify (7)

16. Visit (4,2)

18. Big (5)

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THE BIG SHORT (15, 130 mins)

FOOL and his hardearned money are soon parted and in 2008, many of us turned out to be unwitting fools when the mortgage crisis in America catalysed the collapse of financial institutions, resulting in an ice age of global austerity that has yet

Bankers were demonised, political establishment passed bucks as if they were handling red-hot potatoes and hard-working families paid an eye-watering price.
The Wall Street meltdown

doesn't sound like ripe fruit for a cocktail of pottymouthed hilarity and heartbreaking drama, but Adam McKay, director of the Anchorman films, begs to differ.

Stepping away from the dim-witted Will Ferrell comedies that have made his name, McKay draws inspira-tion from Michael Lewis' non-fiction account of the housing and credit bubble to dramatise the incredible true story of the men who made a killing by wagering against the US economy.

"While the whole world was having a big ol' party, a few outsiders and weirdos saw what no one else could," explains sharp-suited narrator, Jared Vennett (Ryan Gosling), a bond salesman at Deutsche Bank with a keen nose for profits.

He is our wise-cracking guide to this high-pressure world of bulls, bears and multi-million dollar trades.

However, Jared is not the



Brad Pitt plays Ben Rickert

first person to spot impend-

ing doom.
That honour goes to quixotic hedge fund manager

Michael Burry (Christian Bale).
"It's a timebomb... and I want to short it," Burry informs his incredulous boss (Tracy Letts) and bets against the housing market.

Jared gets wind of the deal and follows suit, drawing in deeply cynical hedge fund manager Mark Baum (Steve Carell) and his team: Danny Moses (Rafe Spall), Porter Collins (Hamish Linklater) and Vinnie Daniel (Jeremy Strong).

Inexperienced investors Charlie Geller (John Magaro) and Jamie Shipley (Finn Wittrock) use personal ties to retired banker Ben Rickert (Brad Pitt) to orchestrate their own high-risk bets as financial authorities ignore warning signs and Lehman Brothers prepares to fall.

The Big Short is a blisteringly funny and provocative portrait of irresponsibility, fraud and gaudy excess, brought vividly to life by a

PA Photo/Paramount/Jaap Buitendij

superb ensemble cast. Carell and Bale shine brightest in the glittering firmament, imbuing their socially awkward oddballs with vulnerability, guilt and regret.

McKay's film is acutely aware that most of us don't speak the Wall Street lingo, so the writer-director cutely interrupts the wheeler dealing with glossy edutainment

Wolf Of Wall Street star Margot Robbie sexes up subprime mortgages while sipping champagne in a bubble bath, celebrity chef Anthony Bourdain explains a collateralised debt obligation (CDO) using leftover seafood, and actress and singer Selena Gomez makes sense of synthetic CDOs over a game of blackjack.

We might not always keep up with McKay's dazzling film and its rapid-fire, whips-mart dialogue, but by the end credits, we're not far

RATING: 9/10 Released: January 22

Stage

Keeping audiences guessing to the end

She is joined by Dave Blackwell, who has performed in many productions with Courts over the year, often giving memorable performances in cameo roles. He plays Gavin Purdie, an odd and socially inept person who has settled on the farm with Mildred as a mother figure.

As a person who likes his quiet life just as it is, he becomes uneasy with the sudden attention the farm is receiving.

Donald Caffrey - Mildred's trusted companion on the farm and in life - is played by Dave Carey, another long-standing Courts actor whose accolades include Jim Trott in The Vicar of Dibley and Baldrick in Blackadder.

Jessica Scanlon - portrayed by Courts treasurer Jill Snelling, who not only performs with Courts but also directs – resides in the cottage on the farm grounds but is she looking for a quiet life or hiding from something? Another multi-talented member of the

group who has written and directed several pieces for Courts including one-act entries for drama festivals and the well-received adult pantomime, Witch Way to Coz, is Trevor Povey. He plays Adrian Brooks in Practice to Deceive, who arrives at the farm looking for his missing sister and is soon drawn into the fray.

Also at the farm is B&B guest Rhoda Bradstock, portrayed by Pauline Crowhurst, who claims to be visiting the area to study the insect life. But is her interest in the moors entirely as she says?

As well as performing, Pauline is an accomplished seamstress who creates elaborate and authentic costumes for Courts' productions – most recently creating Queenie's distinctive dress for the performance of Blackadder.

Two other characters - crime writer Diana Wishart and her put-upon companion, Susan Tonks - raise more questions.

After Diana sweeps into the farm as a B&B guest and befriends the farm residents to extract information for her next best-seller, how will they react when her true intentions are revealed? Has she also gone too far this time when it comes to Susan, who has spent many years catering to her every whim and enabling her lifestyle? Accomplished actress, Jenny Lee, who is

part of several groups within the Thurrock and Havering areas, often rehearsing multiple plays at once, plays Diana, while Monika Zieba, who is originally from Poland and is a wonderful new addition to the group, takes to the stage as Susan.

Courts member Torie Grayling said: "As well as our usual comedy leanings, mysteries and thrillers are what we at Courts love to do as they give us a chance to deliver suspense and drama.

This is the first production in our year of murder and mayhem which we hope will keep audiences on the edge of their seats

and crying out for more."

For tickets to see Practice to Deceive at Thameside Theatre, Grays, from January 28-30, which are £12 for adults and £10 concessions. Call the society box office on 07475 634 474 or visit the theatre's website at www.thurrock.gov.uk/thameside-theatre.

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Suburbs area looks at how expansion of transport led to housing estates being built near railway stations and ordinary Londoners being able to enjoy more comfort-able lifestyles out of the inner city, while its Digging Deeper gallery looks at the world's first electric

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over-50s. Craft: 10am to noon, tai chi: whist 9.45am-12.30pm, 10am to noon, art: 12.30-2.30pm, choir: 2.30-4pm, indoor bowls: 2-4pm. £2, 01268 465854.

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■ Counselling Service – The Olive Tree Centre, 9am-9pm, call anytime and we will get back to you, 01702 524346, enquiries@olivetreecentre.org.uk.

■ Over-50s Keep-fit Classes – Fryerns Community Centre, Pat 01268 770294.

■ Over-50s Session – Megacentre Rayleigh, 7 Brook Road. Badminton and table tennis 2-4pm. £3.50 inc refreshments and equipment. 01268 773100.

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Butneys, 1.30-3.30pm, 01268 293995.

Pensioners stall - York Road Outdoor Market,
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Fitness Walking – from Leigh Tennis Club, Highlands Boulevard, Leigh, 7.15-8.15pm, 01702 715509.

Scrabble Club – Wesley Church Hall, Elm Road, Leigh Broadway, (opp police station), beginners welcome, no partner needed, 7-10pm, £3, call 01268 727915.

Tuesday, January 26

■ Rayleigh Horticultural Society Club Night – St Michael's Church Hall, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh. Talk by Badger Price on the ways to grow prize-winning vegetables – 8-10pm £1.50 members, visitors £2.50 inc tea or coffee & biscuits.

Tea & toast morning -Thundersley

Methodist Church, Kennington Avenue, Benfleet, SS7 4BS

what's on

■ IT help sessions – Billericay Library, 10.30am –midday. Details 01277 624624. ■ Magic: The Gathering Club – play and 10.30am -midday. Details 012/7 624624, ■ Magic: The Gathering Club - play and trade, beginners welcome, Laindon Community Centre, SS15 6NX, 6-10pm email: BasildonMTG@hotmall.com. ■ Parent and Todeller Messy Play Group – Buttercup Club, St Michael's and All Angels Church, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, 9.30am and 11am. 01702 712150. ■ Atherisper's Speigty, Moral Metiticational.

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 Alzheimer's Society Men's Motivational Group - call 01702 345156 or 343121.
 Anchor Folk Olub - Brooke Williams, 7-9 Northview Drive, Westoliff, 8pm, £8, 01702 715111

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Yoga Class - Thorpedene Community
Centre, Delaware Road, Shoeburyness,
7-8.30pm, 26, bring a blanket and yoga mat,
ages 16-plus, 07961 314983.
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Wednesday, January 27

■ Belvedere Jazz & Music Club – Big Screen Take One, featuring Dave Newton, 8pm. The Chichester, Rawreth, SS11 8UE. Tel: 07850 607075.

South East Essex Ramblers – five-mile walk River Crouch and sea wall, 10am Park in Sycamore Way, Canewdon, SS4 3QJ. Doug 01702 548025.

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10pm, Studio Workshop, West Road, Shoeburyness. Jim Davis 01702 292867

Southend Beating Bowel Cancer Support Group - Nazareth House, London Road, Southend, 1,30-4,30pm, details Janet Wagstaff 01702 312959.

Pregnancy Yoga Class - Westwood Primary School, Hadleight, 8-9pm. £6 per session. Details Linda 01702 552260.

Line dancing lessons - 12,30-2,30pm, St Margaret's Church Hall, Lime Avenue, Leigh-on-Sea, SS9 3PA. 07948 108195.

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The Concord Ladies Club of Rayleigh –
1.30-3pm. Caley Hall, Crown Hill, Rayleigh,
01268 743240.

■ Leigh Singles Social Club – 45-65s, Bellini's, London Road, Leigh. www.leighsingles.co.uk Activity Session for children with special needs.

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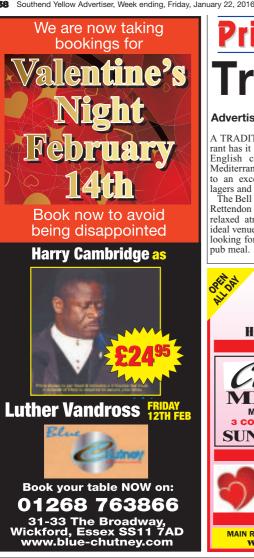
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range of main dishes such as homemade pie of the day, homecooked ham with eggs, pan-fried liver and bacon, baked seafood and homemade lasagne.

If you have room for more then there are a range of delicious sweets to enjoy.

An a la carte menu is served in the restaurant on Saturday evenings which has extensive choice including venison pate, Scottish smoked salmon, garlic mushrooms, and rosemary and garlic brie for starters, and succulent roast, pork tenderloin, lamb shank, chicken Portobello - succulent chicken breast smothered with Madeira and mushroom sauce - as well as grill and fish dishes for mains.

All of this is complemented by a range of side orders and desserts

including sweets from the trolley.

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The Chimes Restaurant can be hired for private functions, whether you want to enjoy a sit-down meal for up to 50 people, or a buffet-style celebration for up to 100.

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Jordan Marsh has an exciting raw sound that packs Boisdale's & Ronnie Scott's. This exciting sextet play music to have you dancing all night or simply enjoying the music from your chair. Music starts at 8.00pm-10.30pm.

tchers, learners, hardcore fancytoes and wallflowers will be shocked at how quick they will get with the baggy beat, or be positively mesmerized by the ics as the band and the dance floor unite!

Tickets available online at www.anniesjazz.vpweb.co.uk or every Tuesday evening at Thorpe Hall Golf Club from Annie. Please telephone 07888 751 062 / 07504 232 783 for any queries. Ticket price is £15.00. Seating available for all.

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Noel performs tonight with Andy Jones (guitar) and Rob Hutchenson (bass) and Nic France on drums, together showcasing a mix of "Groove" based originals and some classic Groove standards delivered in Noel's own, inimitable way.



Tuesday the 9th of February

Alma Gitana (Gypsy Soul)

With Andres Garcia on Guitar, Javier Moreno on Vocals & Lourdes Fernandez Dancing.

When you have experienced the breathtaking momentum of this group, you will realize you have just seen something spectacular and unique; the speed and power of the feet stomping of Lourdes, the raw captivation of the flamenco guitar of Andres, and the amazing vocals of Javier, and how it all melts in a magic and passionate performance.



Tuesday the 16th of February

Georgia Mancio on vocals Nigel Price on guitar

Award-winning jazz vocalist/lyricist, Georgia Mancio, has proved herself one of the UK's most original inventive and important new artists.

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Motoring

Styling makeover for Toyota Auris

By Robin Roberts

TOYOTA must be as pleased as punch with its knockout Auris Hybrid, now further improved.

Ås one of the first car-makers to embrace hybrid technology with the Prius and models under its sister Lexus badge, the power-trains have been put into the more mainstream Auris body for a couple of years and it has had a significant styling makeover.

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No other car manufacturer offers such a comprehensive range of hybrids and make no mistake they are not a compromise between economy and enjoyment, but a statement you can have both without paying the earth.

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Using petrol engines built on Deeside, the Auris Hybrid marries conventional internal combustion engine with a battery and an electric motor, all linked and managed through a range of sensors and controlled by an on-board computer, to extract a most economical method of propulsion.

Two body-styles for the petrol hybrid come in five bespoke trim levels, so there is something for everyone from retail to business users who want to make the most of the tax advantages.

You can also specify Toyota Safety Sense



versions with additional driving aids to help prevent or mitigate collisions and a very sophisticated and smart infotainment system with seven-inch screen on the console.

The powertrain comes out of the Prius with some modifications but essentially it's the same and very good as a result. Start off in EV mode and it's absolutely

Start off in EV mode and it's absolutely silent until the petrol engine purrs into play but even then it's not noisy unless you blast away. The CV-transmission can whine a bit but not excessively and it pulls well, cruises quietly and can even be held in a sporting mode to make the most of the power so it moves from economy to normal and then sporting.

The pure-electric mode is good for only a few miles before the battery depletes and

you seamlessly and automatically engage the petrol engine, which immediately starts recharging the system topped up by regenerative-braking.

If you have a lot of miles to do regularly, the hybrid is probably a better proposition than pure electric power which needs a charging point.

In give and take driving you have to anticipate overtaking opportunities and carefully select the sporting mode to cut down time, and don't be put off by the sudden rise in powertrain noise.

Cruising it was much quieter and composed and we achieved a good economy figure.

Handling was fairly flat and uninspiring, safe and sure but not nippy or agile, and you could hear the suspension coping with the bumps under the wheels but its ride is better than before.

Inside it was basic with good access throughout and adjustment on the front seats. Room is fine for four or five with a decent bootspace from 435 to 1199 litres

decent bootspace from 435 to 1199 litres. New seats and a softer touch to the facia have improved the functional look while outside there are new LED lights, bumpers and trim

Visibility is good to the front and sides, although I would like brighter headlights despite being LED units now, but there are blindspots when pulling out and reversing.

blindspots when pulling out and reversing.
The latest revised Toyota Auris is a step
up, but it still lacks a sort of "oh-ah, nice
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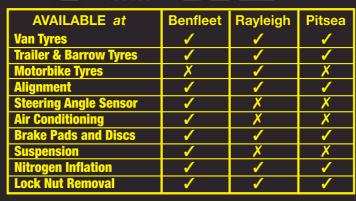
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Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Southend-on-Sea Borough Council proposes to make the above Order under Sections 1, 2, 4, 32, 36, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 53 and 124 (and part IV of Schedule 9) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Road Traffic Act 1991 and of all other enabling powers and after consultation with the Chief Officer of Police in accordance to Part III of Schedule 9 to the act of 1984 as amended by Part 6 of the Traffic Management Act 2004, the effect of which will be to introduce Residents only Permit Parking a

The general effect of the Order would be the introduction of permit parking places to facilitate the improvement of parking for residents in the roads listed below, between the hours of 9.00 am to 9.00 pm daily 1) Introduce Residents Permit Parking Places;

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Any representations to the proposals, together with the grounds on which they are made, must be sent in writing to the Corporate Director for Place and marked for the attention of the Traffic Management & Road Safety Team at the address below by no later than 11th February 2016.

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> R. Tinlin Chief Executive & Town Clerk

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS2 6ER

Dated: 21st January 2016

SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

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West Ham United

Newcastle United 2 West Ham United 1 Brian Jeeves reporting from St James' Park

EARLY goals from Ayoze Perez and Georginio Wijnaldum earned struggling Newcastle United a rare Barclays Premier League victory at St James' Park, ending West Ham's impressive unbeaten sequence in the process.

It has proved to be a frustrating campaign for the Magpies. Steve McCaren's men went into the game without a win in four league outings and firmly entrenched in a relegation battle.

However, there was renewed optimism among the Toon Army following a useful and exciting midweek clash with Manchester United.

Former England boss McClaren included new signing Jonjo Shelvey in his starting line-up. The England midfielder had arrived on Tyneside after a £12million move from

Swansea City during the week. Meanwhile West Ham arrived in the North East brimming with confidence and looking to establish a new club record in the Premier League era of nine matches without defeat.

But it was the home side who start-

ed well with Wijnaldum and Daryl Janmaat probing the Hammers rearguard, while Perez forced Adrian into a decent save low to his left.

The visitors clearly hadn't heeded

the warning, and when livewire Perez found some room on the edge of the box he fired low beyond Adrian to give Newcastle an early lead.

West Ham were stunned by the Magpies' electric start. Aaron Cresswell looked to find an opening for Michail Antonio, but Newcastle skipper Fabricio Coloccini arrived in the nick of time to avert the dan-

Before the visitors could steady

the ship their troubles deepened.

Leading marksman Wijnaldum met Janmaat's pinpoint centre, crisply sweeping past Adrian to double the lead with barely 15 minutes played. It was almost three when Aleksander Mitrovic tiptoed through the beleaguered Hammers backline, this time Adrian saved with his feet.

West Ham were wobbling. Adrian was called upon twice in a matter of seconds to deny Paul Dummett and Janmaat, while Moussa Sissoko was snubbed out by some expert defending from James Collins.

Mitrovic should have put the outcome beyond doubt before the break, but the Serbian frontman fluffed his lines after Janmaat had again crafted

the opening.

At the other end Cheikhou Kouy ate almost halved the deficit, but Magpies keeper Rob Elliot was equal to his close range snapshot.

Wijnaldum scuffed wide as Newcastle looked to start the second period as they had the first.

But then a lifeline for West Ham. Substitute Nikica Jelavic latched onto Chancel Mbemba's poor back pass before rounding Elliot and rolling into the net, despite the efforts of Dummett on the line.

There was now an air of unease around St James Park.

Mitrovic looked to ease their fears, but Adrian firstly did well to scoop away his flicked effort goalwards, and then brilliantly tipped over his thundering attempt after Shelvey

had played him in.

Mitrovic and Adrian continued their personal duel. This time the Spanish keeper produced a terrific stop to keep the Hammers in the match. Shelvey was next to try his luck, but his effort only found the grateful Adrian's midriff.

Elliot blocked Kouyate's late header and Jelavic fired narrowly over as West Ham pushed for a share of the spoils. Meanwhile Jack Colback had Adrian scrambling but his drive from distance fizzed the wrong side of an upright.

But Newcastle had done enough to record only their fifth Premier League victory of the campaign. Speaking after the game, disap-

pointed Hammers chief Slaven Bilic said: "We were the team that should start with more confidence because we were unbeaten for a number of games. They've improved a lot recently, but still they were down.

"We were counting on confidence being on our side. Unfortunately,

that wasn't the case.
"We have to give them credit. Very quickly they scored two goals, and especially when you play at home your confidence is sky high. Their quality was never in question, but they don't show it week in, week out.

"We could have nicked a point, it wouldn't have been the first time, but to be fair we have to admit in everything they were better and they deserved to beat us.

Delighted Magpies boss McClaren said: "I thought the first 20 minutes, intensity, tempo, front foot, controlled the game of foot-

ball, two great goals.
"The team kept their composure and defended well. A massive three points for us."

West Ham now face a tough challenge when title-chasing Manchester City are the visitors to Upton Park,

City are the visitors to Upton Park, on Saturday, January 23 (5.45pm). Newcastle United: Rob Elliot, Fabricio Coloccini (Capt), Paul Dummett (Henri Saivet), Jack Colback, Georginio Wijnaldum, Moussa Sissoko, Jonjo Shelvey, Ayoze Perez (Yoan Gouffran), Chancel Mbemba, Dary Janmaat, Aleksandar Mitrovic (Jamaal Lascelles) Subs not used: Rolando Aarons, Karl Darlow, Ernmanuel Riviere, Ivan Toney West Ham United: Adrian, Aaron Cresswell, James Tomkins (Carl Jenkinson), Cheikhou Kouyate, Enner Valencia, Pedro Obiang (Nikica Jelavic), Mark Noble (Capt), James Collins, Angelo Ogbonna, Dimitri Payet, Michail Antonio (Victor Moses). Subs not used: Darren Randolph, Winston Reid, Alex Song, Josh Cullen Referee: Neil Swarbrick Assistants: Scott Ledger and John Brooks Fourth Official: Lee Mason Attendance: 50,031

Non-league round-up

Cleaver seals Rovers' return

By Brian Jeeves
JACOB Cleaver's early goal earned Great
Wakering Rovers three priceless Ryman
League Division One North points against Essex rivals Redbridge.
Cleaver's 16th minute strike settled this

Burroughs Park derby, which was the villagers' first win in 10 league outings and moved them up to 15th in the table.

Romford made short work of Heybridge

Swifts. Talha Zakariya and George Woodward on target in a 2-0 success, and it was the same outcome at Chadfields where visitors Aveley saw off Tilbury thanks to goals either side of the interval from Abs Seymour and Arian Retkoceri.

Russell Halton grabbed a brace and Jake Clowsley added another as Brightlingsea Regent won by the odd goal in five at Cray Wanderers, while George Purcell's second half strike earned AFC Hornchurch a share of the spoils from a 1-1 draw at AFC Sud-

Elsewhere in Division One North, Michael Ademiluyi's goal helped Barkingside to a 1-1 draw at Wroxham, but Witham Town went down 3-2 at home to Haringey Borough.

In the Ryman Premier Division Sam Higgins grabbed both goals as East Thurrock United took maximum points from a 2-1 victory at Tonbridge Angels.

Former Brentford striker Nathan Elder was on target for the Kent outfit. Grays Athletic eased out Farnborough by three goals to one, Bradley Fortnam-Tomlinson, Joao Carlos and Corey Davidson with the hosts goals. Former Southend United man Teddy Nesbitt was again on target as Billericay Town grabbed a point from a 1-1 draw with rivals Brentwood Town at New Lodge. Ryan O'Rawe had given Brentwood an early lead, but Nesbitt's second half equaliser extended Town's unbeaten sequence to 15 matches.

But it was a bad afternoon for Canvey Island who crashed 4-0 against high-flying Hampton & Richmond Borough at Park Lane. Jamal Lowe scoring twice for the

In the National League South, Chelmsford City's woes continued as they were thrashed 4-1 at Margate. Matthew Whichelow scored the Clarets goal. This latest setback saw them slip to 15th in the table, one place below rivals Concord Rangers.

Braintree Town were the victims of an FA Trophy second round upset courtesy of

Northern Premier League Stourbridge. Matt Dodd grabbed the West Midlanders goal just before the hour mark.

In the Essex Senior League Hullbridge Sports led the way with a 6-2 hammering of Enfield 1893.

Clapton won their derby with Wadham Lodge at the Old Spotted Dog by two goals to nil, while FC Romania were 3-1 winners at Eton Manor. The matches between Sporting Bengal United and Burnham Ramblers (1-1), as well as Takeley and Sawbridgeworth (0-0) ended all-square.

Selected action from the ProKit UK Essex Olympian League Division One saw Canning Town win 3-1 against visitors Old Southendian, while Runwell Hospital carned all three parts forms 2.2000. earned all three points from a 2-0 triumph at Old Chelmsfordians

In Division Two FC Hamlets comfortably dispatched Rochford Town 4-1.

Hendon sacked as O's boss

IAN Hendon's reign in the Orient hot seat ended shortly after his now former charges capitulated against mid-table Exeter on Saturday – a defeat that saw them slip into mid-table.

A statement on the Orient website on Monday confirmed that Hendon had been relieved of his duties as head coach. Assistant Andy Hessenthaler

has been put in temporary charge after the O's registered just one win since November 21 Exeter's Ollie Palmer scored straight from the kick-off as City, Liverpool-bound for an FA Cup

midweek replay, stole the points before the break thanks to a Jayden Stockley brace and cup-hero Tom Nichols' strike.

Twenty-goal Jay Simpson then missed two second half penalties for Orient in a shocking display by the O's.

Michelle steals the show at Lee Valley

Athletics

MICHELLE Hughes one again grabbed the headlines as she added South of England Under 20 long jump gold and hurdles bronze to her recent Southern pen-tathlon title at Lee Valley on Sunday.

But her long jump victory tested her competitive spirit to the full as she was down in sixth after the third round and only just squeezed into the jump off final. But she found her form when it mattered and her fourth round jump put her in a podium place before leaping a final round indoor PB of 5.66m to claim gold.

Michelle had earlier won 60m hurdles bronze, equalling her PB of 8.99s in the process, after a 9.07s heat and clocked 26.00s to qualify for the 200m final but decided to opt out of the final after a busy day.

Bethan Siddons opened her 2016 indoor account with seventh place in the senior women's high jump competition with a solid 1.65m clearance while Chloe Van Wulven clocked her fastest indoor times for several years with a 9.10s heat and 9.05s semi-final but missed out on a final place.

Matt Owers set two indoor bests in the Under 20 events clocking a swift 52.53s for 400m after a 54.02s heat and returned on Sunday to clock an indoor 200m PB of 23.66s.

Sydney Conteh set a new career best with 56.32s in the senior 400m and Fraser Boston's 200m time of 23.67s in the Under 20 event was also a new best.

Lucy Bailey returned to hurdles action after an injury-affected 2015 with 9.62s heat in the U20 hur-



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